

AL-V-A-022 Hess Stone House  
Old Rt. 40  
Eckhart (Clarysville vicinity), Allegany Co. MD  
Not Eligible

This one-story three-bay stone cottage resembles AL-V-A-019 Pryor Stone House two houses away to the east. However, the replacement of the original windows with aluminum 1/1-sash windows, the addition of several frame sections to the east and north, and the removal of the chimney have altered this house.

This house may have been built by the Consolidation Coal Company c.1840 to house miners from the Eckhart Mine. As this property lacks integrity of design, materials, workmanship, and feeling it is recommended as not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.

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Eligibility Recommended <u>X</u>	Eligibility Not Recommended _____
Criteria: <u>A</u> <u>B</u> <u>C</u> <u>D</u> Considerations: <u>A</u> <u>B</u> <u>C</u> <u>D</u> <u>E</u> <u>F</u> <u>G</u> None	
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Reviewer, OPS: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>6/7/2000</u>
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View of Hess Stone House (Al-V-22).

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Coal Company House or Hess Stone House  
Eckhart

c. 1845

The Hess House was built in the first half of the 19th century by the Consolidation Coal Company. As such it is typical of the type of housing provided by the coal companies for their workers. Like other worker houses in the area it is a one and a half story square stone structure. The main entrance is located beneath a three bay porch on the main facade of the building. Early structures such as the Hess House eventually gave way to larger and more substantial dwellings in the peak period of the mines during the late 19th century.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Coal Company House

AND/OR COMMON

Hess Stone House

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

North Side of Old Rt. 40, Above Intersection of <sup>Or Porter St. Ext.</sup> Beer Alley; Eckhart

CITY, TOWN

Eckhart

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

Sixth

COUNTY

Allegany

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

**CATEGORY**

☐ DISTRICT  
☒ BUILDING(S)  
☐ STRUCTURE  
☐ SITE  
☐ OBJECT

**OWNERSHIP**

☐ PUBLIC  
☒ PRIVATE  
☐ BOTH

**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**

☐ IN PROCESS  
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

**STATUS**

☒ OCCUPIED  
☐ UNOCCUPIED  
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS  
**ACCESSIBLE**  
☐ YES: RESTRICTED  
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED  
☒ NO

**PRESENT USE**

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM  
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK  
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE  
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS  
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC  
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION  
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Carrie H. Hess

Telephone #: 689-8647

STREET & NUMBER

Rt. # 2 Box 19

CITY, TOWN

Frostburg

☐ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21532

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC

Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #: 444

Folio #: 269

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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**CONDITION**

☐ EXCELLENT  
☒ GOOD  
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED  
☐ RUINS  
☐ UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**

☐ UNALTERED  
☒ ALTERED

**CHECK ONE**

☒ ORIGINAL SITE  
☐ MOVED DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

The Hess old stone house is located along old Route 40 in Lickhart, Allegany County on the north side of the road near the intersection of Porter Street, West of the Wolford house.

The house is a one and a half story, three bay wide square shaped facade. A proportionally large rectangular wing abuts the main block on the rear northern side and it is a new addition as evidenced by the cement block foundation. The building is constructed of stone with rubble bond and is supported by a similarly constructed stone foundation with no water table. The roof of the house is gabled and is covered with replaced asphalt materials. Windows in the structure include double hung wooden sash frames with one-over-one, two-over-two, and six-over-six lights. A flat stone pediment is found over all windows in the stone portion of the building while the newer wing windows are plain. The main entrance is found on the front, southern face and is recessed and exhibits replaced door and hardware. A three bay end porch with shed roof supported by square wooden columns covers the main entrance and is a recent addition. One corbeled brick chimney, which is original is located to the interior of the structure.

The stone house is structurally sound, and retains much of its original fabric.

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# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

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## PERIOD

## AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1830-1850

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Hess old stone house was built between 1830 and 1850 by the Consolidation Coal Company. The structure is another house built for the workers in the nearby mines, and provided a means of affordable and adequate housing. The Eckhart mining community was very prosperous during its time, and the peak of production came during the late 1800's. These earlier structures, although somewhat small and crude, gave way to the larger and more stylish company houses of the peak production era.

The presence of this and other company houses certainly enhances the cultural mining heritage of Allegany County.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Allegany County Land Records, Cumberland, Maryland

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY Less than one acre**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

Third Lot West from intersection of Porter St. &amp; Old Rt. 40; Eckhart

Approx; Lines North &amp; South 190' &amp; 210' Lines East &amp; West 105' &amp; 60'

**LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES**

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

John E. Nelson, Program Coordinator of All. Co. Historic Sites

ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

5/25/76

STREET &amp; NUMBER

10 Park Lane

TELEPHONE

689-8486

CITY OR TOWN

Frostburg

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

Old Company Stone House - Hess  
Along Old Rt. 40 - near intersection of Porter Street

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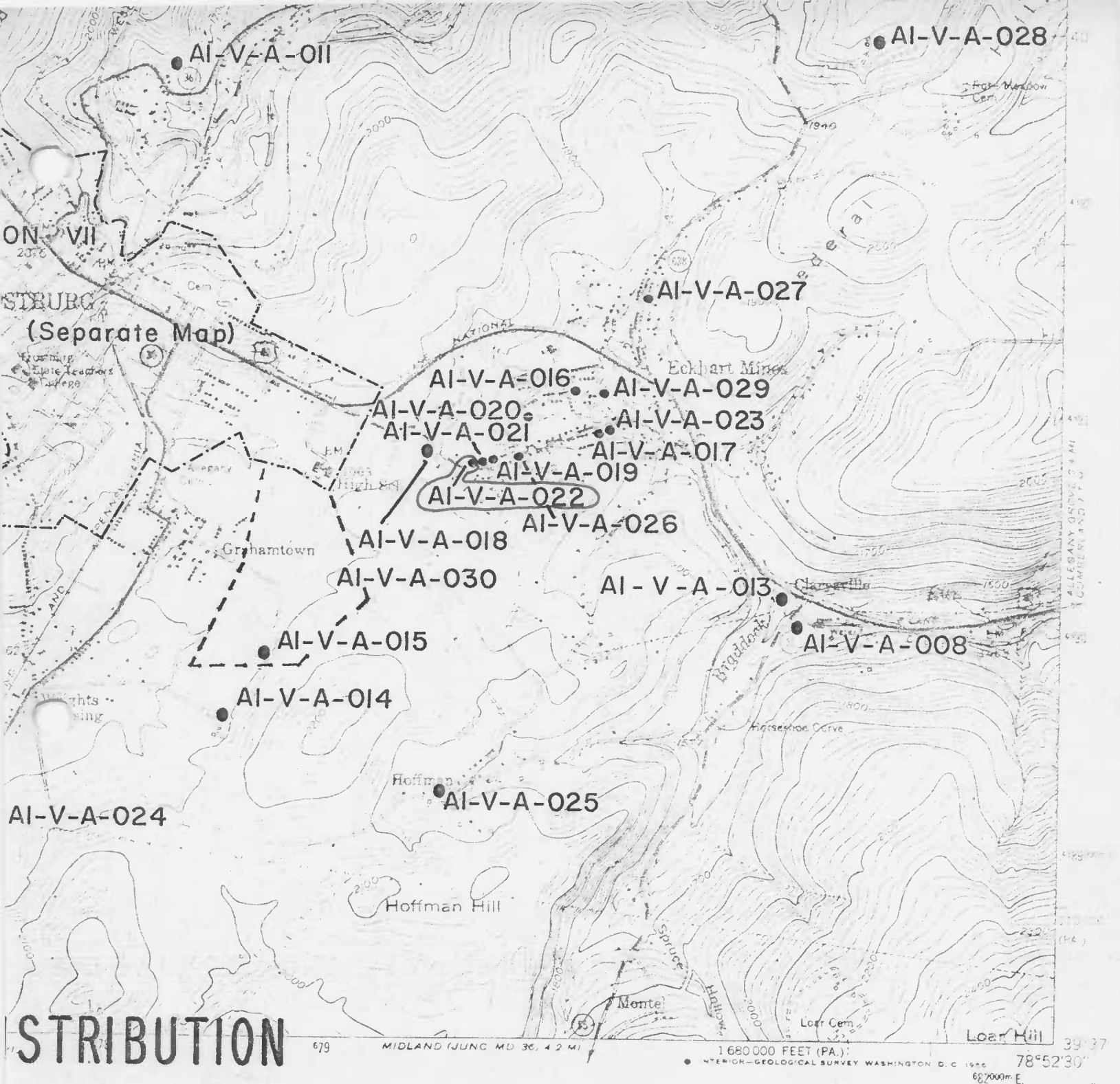
HISTORICAL CHAIN OF TITLE

Allegany County - Deed - Liber 444, Folio 269  
grantee: Carrie Hess  
grantor: Maryland Coal & Realty Company  
March 12, 1971

Allegany County - Deed - Liber 215, Folio 705  
grantee: MD Coal & Realty Company  
grantor: Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Company  
July 7, 1947

Consolidation Coal Company - original owner





● = SITE LOCATION

0 6000 7000 FEET  
1 KILOMETER

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Old Rt. 40 - Eckhart

#### ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty 4 LANE 16 LANE  
Medium-duty 4 LANE 16 LANE  
Light-duty  
Unimproved dirt  
U. S. Route  
State Route

FROSTBURG, MD.-PA.  
NW/4 FROSTBURG 15' QUADRANGLE  
N3937 5-W7852.5/7.5

STANDARDS  
STON, D. C. 20242  
AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

USGS - Frostburg Quad  
1:24,000

1949

AMS 5263 III NW-SERIES V833



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Old Rt. 40

Eckhart

John E. Nelson

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Southwest



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Old Rt. 40

Eckhart

John E. Nelson

5/20/76

Northwest